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SUBJECT: ILO CONVENTION NO. 55, SHIPOWNERS' LIABILITY FOR
SICK AND INJURED SEAMEN

ATTN: LABOR ATTACHE

1. U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS PREPARED THE FOLLOWING SUPPLEMENTAL
REPORT IN FURTHER RESPONSE TO THE DIRECT REQUEST OF THE
COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF CON-
VENTION NO. 55 TO AMERICAN SAMOA. IN OCTOBER OF 1975
WE REPORTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF AMERICAN SAMOA WAS
CARRYING OUT A SURVEY OF ALL SHIPS REGISTERED IN THE
TERRITORY AND NOTED THAT WE WOULD FORWARD THE RESULTS
OF THE SURVEY TO THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS UPON COMPLE-
TION OF THE SURVEY.

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2. PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT TO THE

INTERNATIONAL LABOR OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER THAT THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS MAY CONSIDER THE REPORT DURING THEIR MEETING FROM MARCH 18-31.

3. SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 1973 TO JUNE 1975, MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 22 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION, ON THE MEASURES TAKEN TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE SHIPOWNERS' LIABILITY (SICK AND INJURED SEAMEN) CONVENTION, 1936 WITH RESPECT TO AMERICAN SAMOA.

4. THE GOVERNMENT OF AMERICAN SAMOA HAS REPORTED THE RESULTS OF A SURVEY UNDERTAKEN TO ASCERTAIN THE NUMBER OF VESSELS REGISTERED IN AMERICAN SAMOA WHICH WOULD FALL UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CONVENTION NO. 55. THE GOVERNMENT OF AMERICAN SAMOA OWNS AND OPERATES THREE VESSELS WHICH ARE PRIMARILY USED IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS WITHIN AMERICAN SAMOA. THESE ARE THE ONLY VESSELS REGISTERED IN AMERICAN SAMOA.

5. AS A RESULT, THE VESSELS REGISTERED IN AMERICAN SAMOA WOULD BE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF CONVENTION NO. 55 UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE I, PARAGRAPH 2.(A)(I) RELATING TO VESSELS OF PUBLIC AUTHORITIES. KISSINGER

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